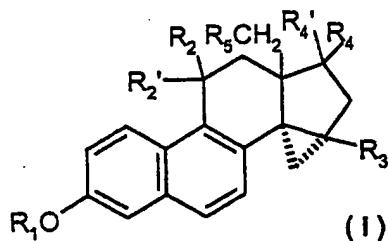


In the Specification:

Please make the following changes:

Pages 1 & 2, paragraph extending from page 1, line 19, to page 2,
line 2:

According to the invention, this objective is ~~reached~~ attained by
forming equilenin derivatives of general formula (I)



wherein

R₁ denotes a hydrogen atom, a C₁-C₅-alkyl group, a C₁-C₅-acyl group or a benzoyl group,

R₂ denotes a hydrogen atom and R'₂ denotes a ~~hydrogen atom, a~~ fluorine atom, a hydroxyl group or a C₁-C₅-acyloxy group or R₂ and R'₂ together denote an oxo group,

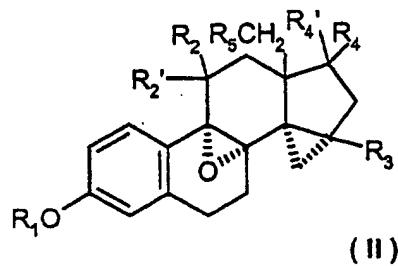
R₃ denotes a hydrogen atom or a methyl group,

R₄ denotes a hydrogen atom and R'₄ denotes a hydroxyl group or a C₁-C₁₁-acyloxy group or R₄ and R'₄ together denote an oxo group, a

methylene group, a halomethylene group or a dihalomethylene group and R₅ denotes a hydrogen atom or a methyl group.

Page 5, first full paragraph, from line 4 to line 15:

The cyclopropano steroids of general formula II



wherein

R₁ denotes a hydrogen atom, a C₁-C₅-alkyl group, a C₁-C₅-acyl group or a benzoyl group,

R₂ denotes a hydrogen atom and R'₂ denotes a ~~hydrogen atom, a~~ fluorine atom, a hydroxyl group or a C₁-C₅-acyloxy group or R₂ and R'₂ together denote an oxo group,

R₃ denotes a hydrogen atom or a methyl group,

R₄ denotes a hydrogen atom and R'₄ denotes a hydroxyl group or a C₁-C₁₁-acyloxy group or R₄ and R'₄ together denote an oxo group, a

methylene group, a halomethylene group or a dihalomethylene group and

R_5 denotes a hydrogen atom or a methyl group, are new and have previously not been described.

Page 5, second full paragraph, from line 16 to line 26:

Particularly preferred, are, for example, the following cyclopropano steroids:

- 1) ~~3-methoxy-14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-1,3,5(10)-trien-17 α -ol,~~
- 2) ~~3-methoxy-14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-1,3,5(10)-trien-17 α -yl acetate,~~
- 3) ~~3-methoxy-14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-18 α -homoestra-1,3,5(10)-trien-17 α -yl propionate,~~
- 4) ~~14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-1,3,5(10)-trien-3,17 α -diyl diacetate,~~
- 5) ~~3-methoxy-15 β -methyl-14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-1,3,5(10)-trien-17 β -ol,~~
- 6) 1) 11 α -hydroxy-3-methoxy-14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-

1,3,5(10)-trien-17 α -yl acetate,

7)2) 3-methoxy-14 α ,15 α -methylene-8 α ,9 α -oxidoestra-1,3,5(10)-

trien-11 α ,17 α -diyl diacetate and

8)3) 3-methoxy-11 α -hydroxy-8 α ,9 α -oxido-14 α ,15 α -methylenestra-

1,3,5(10)-trien-17 β -yl acetate.